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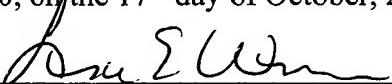
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 17, 2008, please amend the above-identified application as follows. Changes to the Claims are shown by strike through (for deleted matter) and underlining (for added matter).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.

Appendices A-C including *Guidelines on Diabetes, Pre-Diabetes, and Cardiovascular Diseases*; *Characterization of Hydroxylamine-Cytochrome c Reductase from the Chemoautotrophs Nitrosomonas europaea and Nitrosocystis oceanus*; and *Polygenic analysis of ammonia-oxidizing bacteria using 16S rDNA, amoA, and amoB genes* publications are attached following page 9 of this paper.